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Weekly Newsletter

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AJA thrives when more wonderful families just like yours hear about our program from you. We'd love to follow-up on any referrals you have made to friends, neighbors, or colleagues. Just drop off the contact info with Ms. Richmond or the office, and we'll see if they'd like to learn more!



Astronauts and engineers in the making! —Maybe!

So thankful we have the opportunity to teach our students about different careers, areas of interest, and how they are linked with the skills they are mastering today!

Principal's Message

How young is too young to start thinking about careers? If you are a parent of an elementary or middle school child, or even one in high school, your child's career choice is probably the furthest thing from your mind. At this point in her life, you, and your student are probably more concerned about grades, friends, and other interests. While you should be thinking about those things, career exploration for kids is also an important part of their development.

Children are aware of only a relatively small number of occupations to which they are exposed, for example, doctor, dentist, teacher, firefighter, police officer, and whatever it is their parents and relatives do to make a living. While even older students are not yet ready to settle on a career choice, it benefits children to begin thinking about all the options available and what goes into choosing a career. Learning about many occupations broadens their choices and increases awareness of the importance of schooling both vocational and college-bound.

How can you help your child with career exploration?

- Read about different careers.
- Talk to people in different occupations.
- When your child expresses interest in learning about a particular career, access your professional network to find someone who can talk to him about it.
- Help your child learn about her interests, aptitudes, and personality traits.

Blessings this week, -Ms. Richmond

**“To increase
in wisdom
and stature,
and in favor
with God and
man.”**

Luke 2:52

Christian education doesn't cost...it pays!

On the path to the future, there are no shortcuts. No investment too large, no sacrifice to great. Thank you for choosing AJA for your child's future. Please let us know how we can pray for your family or better meet your needs this year.

Upcoming Dates

- **April 1** [Take our Survey!](#)
- **April 4**, 1/2 day for Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **April 13**, Education Sabbath @ 2nd Mile Adventist Church
- **April 26-27** Youth Rally @AJA with Rich Aguilera
"The Dinosaur Guy" www.onemustardseed.com

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Creation Kids

We want our students to learn habits that will help them in life!

This month's focus is on:

Interpersonal Relationships — God wants me to have good friends and get along.

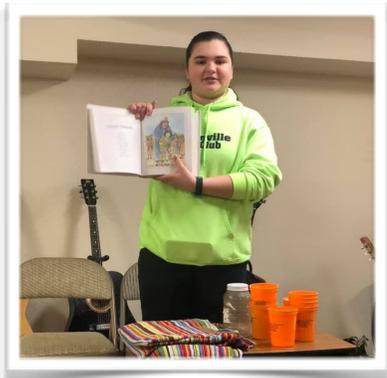
God gave us a gift when He blessed us with family and friends. These connections will not be the same in every respect for any two people, although ideally these connections should generate a similar sense of openness, generosity, and goodwill. Although they take work, good relationships are one of our greatest blessings.

Office Announcements

- **We have a Parent/Teacher Conference afternoon scheduled for Thursday.**

This will be a 12:15 dismissal day for students. Please speak with your child's teacher if you'd like to schedule an appointment.

- **Re-enrollment** is just around the corner! Stay tuned & watch folders for information coming home about securing your child's seat for next year.
- **Parent satisfaction** is important to us. In partnership with GraceWorks Ministries, we have developed an **IMPORTANT** survey that will take you **15 minutes** to complete. Your participation is highly valuable as you share with us your feedback about your **CURRENT** experience at AJA. Our goal is to have 100% participation from each parent/guardian, board member, and on campus volunteer! Each family will be receiving several survey token codes that they will use to access the online survey at http://www.gwmin.com/psrs_login.htm.



Grades 4-8 perform skits about trusting in God for last week's Week of Prayer.

